

## **Quarterly List of WGBX-TV Programming Providing the Most Significant Treatment of Community Issues - WGBX-TV (July-September 2009)**

### **I. Education/Schools/Youth**

Wide Angle: Time for School: N 09/06/09 2am, 60 min

WIDE ANGLE's unprecedented, award-winning 12-year documentary project, *Time for School*, returns in 2009 with visits to seven classrooms in seven countries to offer a glimpse into the lives of seven extraordinary children who are struggling to get what nearly all American kids take for granted: a basic education. We started filming in 2002, watching as kids first entered school in Afghanistan, Benin, Brazil, India, Japan, Kenya and Romania, many despite great odds. Several years later, in 2006, we returned to film an update-and now, three years later, we travel to check in on our young teenagers who are making the precarious transition to middle school.

P.O.V. The Principal Story: N 09/20/09 9pm, 60 min

This program tells two stories, painting a dramatic portrait of the challenges facing America's public schools and of the great difference a dedicated principal can make. Tresa Dunbar is a second-year principal at Chicago's Nash Elementary, where 98% of students come from low-income families; in Springfield, Illinois, Kerry Purcell has led Harvard Park Elementary, with similar demographics, for six years. The producers followed both women over the course of a school year, discovering each one's unique style yet similar passions. "The Principal Story" takes viewers along for an emotional ride that reveals what effective educational leadership looks like in the 21st century.

### **II. Housing/Urban Development**

Now on PBS: Peace and Prosperity for the West Bank?: N 07/12/09 10:30am, 30 min

Once one of the most dangerous and violent cities in the West Bank, Jenin was the scene of frequent battles between the Israeli military and Palestinian fighters, and was the hometown of more than two dozen suicide bombers. Today, however, there's been a huge turnaround. Jenin is now the center of an international effort to build a safe and economically prosperous Palestinian state from the ground up.

Nova: Secrets of the Parthenon: N 07/15/09 1:30pm, 60 min

Erected by the ancient Greeks as a temple to Athena, the Parthenon is an icon of Western civilization. The question of how the Parthenon was built has been largely ignored until recently. Now, thanks to the Greek government's \$10 billion restoration program, scholars are finally probing the enigmas of its planning and construction. With unprecedented access, NOVA presents the inside story of the

official restoration, and the challenges and controversies of conserving one of the world's best-known buildings.

Maria Hinojosa: One on One L 07/25/09 11am, 30 min

Maria Hinojosa interviews Ray Suarez, senior correspondent for The NewsHour and author of *The Old Neighborhood: What We Lost in the Great Suburban Migration*.

## **II. Public Safety/Crime/Justice**

Now on PBS N 07/05/09 10:30am, 30 min

While they're putting the finishing touches on the controversial fence along the southern border between the U.S. and Mexico, the outrage is far from over. The multi-billion dollar plan to build some 700 miles of fencing has been billed as the way to stem the flow of undocumented immigrants and provide security from potential terrorism. NOW senior correspondent Maria Hinojosa travels to Texas to meet border families who fear losing their property, their safety, and their way of life.

Now on PBS N 08/23/09 10:30am, 30 min

A terrible statistic: one in six women will be a victim of rape or attempted rape in her lifetime. But an even more shocking reality: A backlog in processing rape kits - crucial evidence in arresting violent predators - is delaying and sometimes denying justice for tens of thousands of American women.

Tavis Smiley N 09/17/2009 12:30am, 30 min

A conversation with R. Dwayne Betts of the Campaign for Youth Justice. R. Dwayne Betts is a testament to the ability to turn one's life around. Raised in Maryland, his early years showed academic promise. His behavior changed in high school and, at 16, he began a journey that would end with a nine-year prison sentence. After spending most of his teens and early 20s in prison, Betts earned his degree from the University of Maryland, started a book club for boys and is national spokesperson for the Campaign for Youth Justice.

## **IV. Needs of Special Interest Groups**

Maria Hinojosa: One on One L 07/18/09 11am, 30 min

Paul Cuadros is an award-winning investigative reporter who writes about immigration, race and poverty. In 1999, Cuadros won an Alicia Patterson Foundation fellowship to report on the impact of the large number of Latino poultry workers in rural towns in the South. The son of Peruvian immigrants, he talks with Maria about borders, racism, and what he calls "generation illegal."

Untold Stories: San Antonio Missions: Keeping History Alive N 09/11/09 10pm, 30 min

SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS: KEEPING HISTORY ALIVE centers on San Antonio Missions National Historical Park. A thriving hub for the city's Latino community, the park hosts Spanish- and English-language masses throughout the week, celebrates traditional Hispanic festivals year-round and educates more than 50,000 school children annually about our nation's Hispanic heritage.

## **V. Employment/Unemployment/Poverty**

Families Stand Together: Feeling Secure in Tough Times N 09/10/09 1:30pm, 60 min

"Families Stand Together: Feeling Secure in Tough Times" features brief documentaries of real-life families and the story of a Muppet family coping with the ups and downs of these uncertain economic times. Hosted by Al Roker and Deborah Roberts, Elmo and his friends, the special offered help, hope, strategies for families, and encouraged children to express their feelings and ideas as their families adjust to a new life.

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe N 08/02/09 7:30am, 30 min

Melanne Verveer, Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women's Issues, discusses America's role in expanding opportunities for women and girls around the world.

## **VI. Environment/Ecology**

Wide Angle: Burning Season N 08/09/09 2am, 60 min

As temperatures and sea levels rise, the world is scrambling to stop global warming - a threat the UN Secretary General has described as "the defining issue of our era." "Burning Season" captures both sides of the climate divide and explores whether commercialism can step in where altruism has so far failed to succeed.

Nova N 09/13/09 1am, 60 min

"Mystery of the Megavolcano" A remote lake in Southeast Asia conceals evidence of Earth's greatest volcanic cataclysm of the last 100,000 years. Miles beneath its placid surface lies a magma chamber that exploded so violently during the Ice Age that gases and ash may have encircled the globe and blotted out the sun for years on end. The Toba eruption may have helped kick the climate into an unprecedented freeze and perhaps even pushed ancestral human populations to the brink of extinction. In a classic science detective story, NOVA pieces together the clues about this great catastrophe and probes questions raised about human evolution and Earth's fragile ecosystems.

## **VII. Medical and Mental Health/Social Services**

Bill Moyers Journal N 07/12/09 11am, 30 min

With almost 20 years inside the health insurance industry, Wendell Potter saw for-profit insurers hijack our health care system and put profits before patients. Now, he speaks with Bill Moyers about how those companies are standing in the way of health care reform.

Now on PBS N 08/15/09 01:30am, 30 min

Losing your job is a blow not just to your income, but also to your health insurance. Many can't afford high COBRA premiums, much less private insurance. And the sputtering economy is making a bad situation tragic. NOW shares the human stories behind the distressing numbers, and investigates possible solutions and responses with insight from Dr. Howard Dean, former Vermont governor and chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

PBS Special Report: Healthcare Reform N 09/25/09 1:30pm, 90 min

An in depth look at the issue of how reform may change the way we live. We'll take a close look at how portability of health care coverage might change the job sphere. And how would life change for the "sandwich" generation -- boomers who may have their own health care coverage, but are also responsible for aging parents and for grown children?

## **VIII. Economy/Business**

Ascent of Money N 07/23/09 2:30, 60 min

The ability to calculate risk has led to the creation of enormous wealth, or when calculated incorrectly, catastrophic economic fallout. In New Orleans, Ferguson witnesses the destruction still on display from Hurricane Katrina because insurance companies were unable to cover claims to rebuild homes; the region has been deemed uninsurable ever since.

Your Life, Your Money N 09/10/09 2:30m, 60 min

Hosted by Donald Faison, this program presents a broad range of fundamental financial information for young adults; from basic banking to credit debt. It encourages young people to be smart and proactive when it comes to their money.

## **IX. Family/Morality/Religion**

Religion & Ethics Newsweekly N 07/05/09 7am, 30 min

This series provides in-depth coverage of the top religion and ethics stories of the week as well as religious and ethical perspectives on domestic and foreign events and the arts. Hosted by veteran journalist Bob Abernethy, the series brings

viewers breaking news through live and taped reports filed by a team of correspondents in the field and interviews with prominent newsmakers.

Maria Hinojosa: One on One L 09/12/09 11am, 30 min

David Carrasco, a historian of religions and an expert on the Mexican-American borderlands, is the Neil L. Rudenstine Professor of the Study of Latin America at Harvard University. A recipient of the Mexican Order of the Aztec Eagle, Carrasco is the author of *City of Sacrifice: The Aztec Empire and the Role of Violence in Civilization* and editor-in-chief of the *Oxford Encyclopedia of Mesoamerican Cultures*. He is currently working with a team of scholars to decipher the *Mapa de Cuauhtinchan*, a 16th-century map produced by the Chichimec people of Mexico.